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Observer status for the Energy Charter Conference in the General Assembly

Report of the Sixth Committee

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I. Introduction

1. The item entitled "Observer status for the Energy Charter Conference in the General Assembly" was included in the agenda of the sixty-second session of the General Assembly at the request of Japan.

2. At its 3rd plenary meeting, on 21 September 2007, the General Assembly, on the recommendation of the General Committee, decided to include the item in its agenda and to allocate it to the Sixth Committee.

3. The Sixth Committee considered the item at its 10th and 13th meetings, on 19 and 23 October 2007. The statements made during the Committee's consideration of the item are reflected in the relevant summary records (A/C.6/62/SR.10 and 13).

4. For its consideration of the item, the Committee had before it a letter dated 30 July 2007 from the Permanent Representative of Japan to the United Nations addressed to the Secretary-General (A/62/191).

II. Consideration of draft resolution A/C.6/62/L.3 and Corr.1

5. At the 10th meeting, on 19 October, the representative of Japan, on behalf of Albania, Austria, Bulgaria, the Czech Republic, Georgia, Ireland, Japan, Kyrgyzstan, Latvia, Liechtenstein, the Netherlands, Portugal, the Russian Federation, Sweden, Switzerland, Turkey and the United Kingdom of Great Britain and Northern Ireland, introduced a draft resolution entitled "Observer status for the Energy Charter Conference in the General Assembly" (A/C.6/62/L.3 and Corr.1).

6. At its 13th meeting, on 23 October, the Committee adopted draft resolution A/C.6/62/L.3 and Corr.1 without a vote (see para. 7).

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III. Recommendation of the Sixth Committee

7. The Sixth Committee recommends to the General Assembly the adoption of the following draft resolution:

Observer status for the Energy Charter Conference in the General Assembly

The General Assembly,

Wishing to promote cooperation between the United Nations and the Energy Charter Conference,

1. *Decides* to invite the Energy Charter Conference to participate in the sessions and the work of the General Assembly in the capacity of observer;

2. *Requests* the Secretary-General to take the necessary action to implement the present resolution.